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AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the Office action mailed May 31, 2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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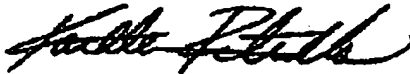
CONCLUSION

In view of the above, the invention defined in independent claims 1, 23 and 46 is respectfully submitted as patentable over the cited references. Claims 2-22, 24-45 and 47-68, which depend directly or indirectly from claims 1, 23 and 46, respectively, are likewise patentable over the cited art for the reasons stated with respect to claims 1, 23 and 46 and by reason of the additional requirements they introduce.

In light of the foregoing, applicants request entry of the amendments and withdrawal of the objection under rejection under 37 CFR §1.75(c), 35 U.S.C. §102(b) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a), and solicit allowance of the pending claims. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney should any issues remain unresolved.

Applicant requests an extension of time to and including October 31, 2005 for filing a response to the above-mentioned Office action. The Commissioner is requested to charge this fee and any fee deficiency in connection with this response to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,



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